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# TAYLOR UNIVERSITY BULLETIN

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## Wanted, Another William Taylor

[This is the William Taylor Memorial Endowment number of our Bulletin. It is in honor of the one hundred and seventh anniversary of the birth of the namesake and sponsor of this College (May 2), and its main emphasis turns upon: (1) An appeal for \$50 birthday gifts on the Service Endowment, and (2) To announce "The Soul Digger"—the Life and Times of William Taylor, which is now in the bindery.]

The place that is to be given a man in history sometimes becomes an ethical consideration. William Taylor belongs to American Methodism, but he belongs also to the whole Christian Church and the English speaking world. Hurst in his great "History of the Christian Church" says that "from a missionary standpoint (he was) the modern St. Paul."

He opened India to Methodism, with the exception of the relatively small North India Mission area. He opened Africa to Methodism, with the exception of Liberia. He opened South America to Methodism after the church had retreated from the field. He was the father of evangelism in Australia. He was as nearly the father of the State of California as any man in its history. His spiritual contribution to the States and Canada and England and the British West Indies can never be effaced. His influence in behalf of the American union in England, during the Civil War, was worth more than a regiment of soldiers at the front, said President Rutherford B. Hayes.

Reading Taylor's life makes one want to live life over. It furnishes a dynamic illustration of unselfishness from which the reader can never recover. We believe there is no story of concrete facts that could equal it in stimulating the best ideals of evangelism and service to mankind. In his missionary policies there were arts which are largely lost to the church; not because missionary statesmen are unwilling to be taught, but because there are no William Taylors to operate Taylor's program. Is it too much to believe that God can raise up some more William Taylors? If we desire him to do so, we should not only pray the Lord of harvests for such laborers, but circulate a true portrait of his life, give him his place in history, and keep his memory green in the Church of Christ.

The only people who have honored themselves in the fulfillment of this duty are the people of California. Mark our words, they will be rewarded. Taylor University, the namesake and monument of this remarkable prophet, has taken it



upon herself as an institution to help give him his place in history. This is not because we owe it to William Taylor, and not because it is good for the school (though the school is inevitably sold to thousands of substantial people if we can prove that it stands faithfully for the things William Taylor exemplified). It is because the youth of our generation need to know a ranking hero. Abstract lessons are too weak to keep our young people out of the snares of materialism and selfish living. They need the enchanting life sized picture of a man who frankly spent himself for others, won unparalleled success, lived long and buoyantly, and died happy.

### WHAT TAYLOR UNIVERSITY TEACHES

That God is our Maker.

That man, though fallen, was made in his image.

That the Bible is God's revelation of his will.

That Jesus Christ is our Savior, one with the Father.

That the New Testament teaching of him is reliable: His virgin birth, his spotless life, his atoning death, his resurrection and ascension, and his promised second coming.

That the gospel is the power of God unto salvation.

That salvation includes justification by faith and sanctification through the baptism with the Holy Spirit.

That Christ should be preached to all peoples, regardless of racial boundaries.

That Taylor University is itself a plant of providence, to stimulate world evangelism and make a constructive stand for the essentials of religion, morality and good government.



### WILL YOU BE ONE?

(A plea for a special William Taylor birthday offering on Endowment.)

This is a call to those who love young people, and who would open to them a door of training for service.

We want a thousand fifty dollar gifts on this endowment fund, in hand to be announced at William Taylor's hundred and seventh birthday anniversary, May 2, 1928. Will you be one? This is aside from all other gifts and promises. There will be rejoicing in the chapel of Taylor University if we may have a shower of this kind of birthday cards.

### PUTTING TAYLOR ON CASH BASIS

Persons in position to finance the school's indebtedness and put Taylor on a cash basis have agreed to do so, beginning this fall, imposing a conditional challenge.

The president of the school must now begin to raise \$75,000 on a proposition to build up the plant and take care of overhanging obligations on the new building. This is all aside from the endowment program. So, "Brother Paul" has to keep two balls in the air at the same time this season, and desires your prayers and advice—and, if so moved, your contribution. There is hardly any measuring what it will mean in saving of health and strength and in actual economy on our purchasing if we can meet this challenge.

### FIELDS OF SELF HELP AT TAYLOR

Our fields of self help are limited. No individual is expected to earn all of the \$360 required for a year in Taylor. That much work would prevent his success in his studies. Indeed only a few can find work to earn part, but as contributions come in for these industrial equipments, more can be accommodated. That is where the value of the William Taylor endowment will appear. At present, we have

- A Farm
- A Dairy Herd
- A Set of Greenhouses
- A General Grocery
- A Printing Plant

Referring to the printing plant, we should be pleased to have orders for printing books, pamphlets or periodicals. We do first class work.

—Manager of Student Business

### PRAYER IS WANTED

When you look at Taylor's tremendous task, suggested in this Bulletin; when you consider the young people we must help to their training and the vast fields we must serve; when you think sympathetically of the burdens of those who stand in the breach; we want you to wait before the Lord in earnest prayer for us.

### A PERSONAL WORD

Dear Friend:

This Bulletin is edited by the president of Taylor University and his office staff. It comes to you free, bringing an inside view of Taylor's heart and life. If you have not been getting it, this is a sample and we will put you on the list if you will write us. Necessarily, it carries therewith a financial appeal. Please do not let that feature annoy you. We hope some day to get where the Bulletin can leave the financial appeals in the background.

I am not a good beggar. It would mortify me even to ask a discount for myself; but I am mustering courage to plead that Taylor University and its noble young people may find a place in the gifts of people whom God has favored. You will notice I get very urgent sometimes, but you cannot imagine how much grace it takes. Pray that I may not shrink and desist till the pleasure of the Lord is accomplished in this plant which He has planted.

JOHN PAUL

### INVESTMENTS AT TAYLOR

We receive many inquiries on how people may invest funds safely at Taylor University and help the cause while at the same time taking care of themselves. A better way to answer the questions is to tell a few things that are being done.

1. Some need their income while living but want the school to have it when they are gone. They send their check and get a secured Annuity Bond which is not subject to common taxes or inheritance tax. It pays them interest semi-annually—about 6% per annum if taken at sixty, about 7% if taken at seventy, about 8% if taken at eighty.

2. Some want their money to help Taylor, but desire it paid back to them. They send their check for the amount they wish to deposit with the school. We send them a promissory note bearing 6% interest payable semi-annually. These notes usually range in maturity from two to five years.

3. Some wish to invest in the work of Taylor and do not want the money back, but desire to open a future door to educate some child or grandchild. They take a note for their money. The interest accrues to their credit, and they include a reservation in the note that if that child dies or refuses the opportunity to pursue a college education in Taylor University the fund goes to the institution's endowment to open doors for other young people in the future.

Dr. Clarence Macartney, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., comes to Taylor University as its commencement speaker June 13. Dr. Macartney is one of the great pastors and most interesting men of our day. He has served as Moderator of the General Assembly. Bishop Oldham is the baccalaureate preacher. We expect an unusual number of eminent brethren on our campus and platform this season.



## On The Trail Of The Pioneer

(The following letter, under date of December 27, comes from Bishop Frederick B. Fisher, Calcutta, India.)

My dear Doctor Paul:

Every now and then I receive a thrill when I read these interesting paragraphs in the *Advocate* giving the story and achievements of Taylor University. We have followed the trail of William Taylor around the wide world, to Australia, Africa and India. Were it not for the awful load of Missionary support which is upon our shoulders out here, we would gladly send you a Taylor offering. But we cannot give you money. Our prayers do, however, go up for you, and God is very near India when one speaks to him of things which are related to the memory of William Taylor. God bless you and the College.

I am a Hoosier, and my boyhood was spent not far from the seat of this effective memorial to our great Methodist St. Paul. You are within the bounds of my own home Conference, the North Indiana. In addition to all these things I have the memory of the many times I saw you at Asbury, and the knowledge of the refreshing service you rendered there. Hence, the Christmas season has put it into my heart to send you these lines of assurance of prayer.

Sincerely Yours,

(Signed) Frederick B. Fisher.

### CONVENTION AND COMMENCEMENT

June 5 to 13

A full gospel and a world program will be the theme of the Convention, beginning Tuesday evening, June 5, under the leadership of Dr. H. C. Morrison, Dr. William H. Huff, with Prof. Kenneth Wells and his chorus, and the president and faculty of Taylor University.

On Sunday, June 10, the Convention will blend into the commencement exercises. Bishop William F. Oldham will preach the baccalaureate sermon that day. A speaker of national reputation is being invited to deliver the commencement address on Wednesday, June 13. A great inspirational gathering, with the William Taylor prize oration, will be Monday night the 11th. A pay entertainment by the readers and musicians of the College will be Tuesday night the 12th. Dr. H. C. Morrison will preach each night from Tuesday 5th through Friday 8th.

For rates of entertainment, and reservations, address C. A. Douglas, Business Secretary, Upland, Indiana.

"The World Vision" will be the subject of a great missionary program Saturday evening, June 9.

## THE STORY OF THE ENDOWMENT

This issue would not be complete without something on the story of the endowment. By this new move, begun last commencement, and thus far so providentially blessed, the friends of Taylor hope to see their institution take rank among the best. Knowing her standards they hope to see her become a beacon light of Christ's kingdom throughout the world.

While there is little definite income yet from the new endowment subscription, the results have been very gratifying. Declaring the Goal Endowment subscribed last October, the Legal Hundred announced the beginning of a request for a Service Endowment of half a million to honor the name of William Taylor, believed to be the greatest missionary since the days of St. Paul. The Legal Hundred was divided into ten groups, and each group, under its leader, was asked to raise \$50,000. The leaders of the groups are: 1. H. C. Miller, 2. John Paul, 3. B. W. Ayres, 4. R. A. Morrison, 5. John F. Owen, 6. B. R. Pogue, 7. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, 8. Monroe Vayhinger, 9. Myron E. Taylor, 10. Francis J. Thomas.

While some of the amounts we count under this new development are not yet yielding profit, and some are not in formal shape for auditing, the following is the result announced in the last Legal Hundred News Letter, February 15, 1928.

1.	\$ 3,302.00
2.	16,102.00
3.	1,797.00
4.	17,252.00
5.	1,322.00
6.	1,127.00
7.	1,052.00
8.	26,248.00
9.	1,052.00
10.	1,052.00

Total \$70,306.00

There are many happy ways to help a great cause like this and protect oneself while doing it, and we invite correspondence; or our secretaries will be pleased to call on any who wish to study the subject.

### LECTURE

The President of Taylor University, fresh from a five years study of William Taylor's life, is preparing a popular lecture on William Taylor conferences or young peoples organizations.

### COMING TO TAYLOR?

Next college year begins September 19. Room reservations are now being made. Young people interested in the best moral atmosphere and the best educational standards will be welcome. Send for admission blank. New year book will be ready in May. An abridged Bulletin of information and picture folder may now be had on application to Taylor University, Upland, Indiana.



## The Day Of Opportunity

A discerning stranger cannot spend two days on the campus of Taylor without being impressed that the spirit of the marvelous confronts him. It puts the town of Upland, Indiana, on the highway of the world. Scarcely one of its suncrowned students comes just because it was fashionable to go to college or because Taylor was handy or popular. They have crossed state lines, they have even crossed continents and seas, because they have a definite aim, and believe Taylor is the providential college that will minister to that aim.

It is evident that God, who plans for future generations, wants a college established which honors true industry, which exalts humanity as such and makes for its cornerstone the faith of the New Testament. The burning challenge now is, who of God's stewards will view the matter as He does, and hear the voice of that providential call which speaks so loudly from the campus of Taylor? Communism, Unitarianism, Christian Science, rationalism, and even spiritualism and atheism, have their sacrificing patrons who build their houses and endow them with memorial chairs of learning to perpetuate their message for future generations. Will the men and women whom God has blessed in heart and store under the tuition of His eternal word also know the day of their opportunity?

## LIFE AND TIMES OF WILLIAM TAYLOR

By John Paul

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